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Date: 12-MAY-2001

Time: 13:59 LT



Type: [Hawker Sea Fury FB.11](#)

Owner/operator: Private

Registration: G-EEMV

C/n / msn: 41H/636335

Fatalities: Fatalities: 1 / Occupants: 1

Other fatalities: 0

Aircraft damage: Substantial

Location: Sywell Aerodrome, Northamptonshire -  [United Kingdom](#)

Phase: Landing

Nature: Private

Departure airport: Sywell (ORM/EGBK)

Destination airport: Sywell (ORM/EGBK)

Investigating agency: AAIB

Narrative:

Written off (destroyed) 12-5-2001 in an accident at Sywell Aerodrome, Hall Farm, Sywell, Northamptonshire. The pilot/owner Paul Jonathan Morgan, was killed.

"On the day of the accident, the pilot booked out for a local sortie. The aircraft departed from Runway 03 at 13:26 hrs. The pilot then requested to rejoin the airfield circuit for landing at 13:56 hours.

The runway in use by other light aircraft was Runway 07. In order to fit in with the traffic flow for a right hand circuit for Runway 07, the Sea Fury was initially positioned right hand downwind for that runway. Preferring to take advantage of the longer runway length available on Runway 03, the pilot entered a right base leg for Runway 03 and proceeded onto final approach.

Because of the rarity of the aircraft, it attracted significant attention from witnesses on the ground. The consensus of opinion indicated that the aircraft touched down beyond the intersection with Runway 07 on its two main wheels, with the fuselage horizontal. The aircraft then proceeded up the runway in a horizontal attitude. Towards the end of the landing run, the tail still had not lowered to the 'three point' attitude. The aircraft was seen to skip slightly and become airborne again very briefly. As it touched down again, the tail was seen to rise and the aircraft nosed over and came to rest inverted.

The airfield emergency vehicles were immediately dispatched to the scene by the Aerodrome Flight Information Service Officer. There was no fire, but on arrival at the aircraft, the attending staff attempted to communicate with the pilot but heard no sign of life. They did not have any equipment immediately available which could have lifted the aircraft in order to evacuate the pilot from the cockpit.

Local emergency services had also been alerted and arrived on the scene at 14:11 hours. Because of the presence around the cockpit of electrical wiring, fuel and hydraulic pipes, it was decided not to use cutting equipment to access the cockpit.

The aircraft was finally lifted sufficiently to remove the pilot by use of air bags and an excavator used as a crane, but the pilot was pronounced dead at the scene at 15:10 hours."

Damage sustained to airframe: Per the AAIB report "Substantial" damage. However, the aircraft wreckage was sold on to Dan Borgstrom in Sweden for restoration/rebuild.

Sources:

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Accident investigation:

Hawker Sea Fury FB11, G-EEMV	
AAIB Reference No.	2001/00011
Investigating Agency	AAIB
Date of Report	2001
Date of Occurrence	16/07/1999
Location	Sywell Aerodrome, Cambridgeshire
Type of Flight	Private
Phase of Flight	Take-off
Number of Passengers	1
Number of Crew	1
Number of Aircraft	1
Number of Injuries	1
Number of Fatalities	1
Number of Aircraft Destroyed	1
Number of Aircraft Damaged	1
Number of Aircraft Recovered	1
Number of Aircraft Repaired	1

Investigating agency: AAIB

Status: Investigation completed

Duration:

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Hawker Sea Fury FB.11 G-EEMV (Ex WH588 VH-BOU, N588) 'Baby Gorilla' at Duxford in July 1999:



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